## PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Atsushi YOKOUCHI, et al.

Appln. No.: Continuation of 09/254,172

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**ROLLING BEARING** For:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

now abandoned This is a continuation of Application No. 09/254,172 filed March 2, 1999; the disclosure

of which is incorporated herein by reference.

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